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In re Patent Application of:

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AMPLIFICATION

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 29, 2010, for which a response was due on January 29, 2011. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 29, 2011. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.